

CONFIDENCE EXPRESSED BY RETURNED SOLDIERS

Wounded From Arras Battle Field
Reach Home and Tell of Brit-
ish Progress.

ARE PLEASANT WITH RESULTS

Officers and Men Both High in Praise
of Efficiency and Morale Displayed
by Troops Pounding at Hinden-
burg's Line.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 12.—Starting incidents
of the tremendous fighting on the
Arras battlefield are related by
returned officers and men who have
returned from the British front in
France. That these men are absolutely
satisfied with the progress the Brit-
ish troops are making is quickly evi-
dent. They are pleased with every
aspect of the fighting. It is difficult
to extract a single even from the
most exacting critic, the "old soldier."
It is pointed out here that this situa-
tion gives the soldiers confidence, the
surest foundation of perfect morale,
and that this, backed by abundant ma-
terial, leads to victory.

Asked if there were no mistakes,
oversights, checks or blunders, one
young officer who had been wounded
in the head and left hand with shrap-
nel, and whose life had been saved
by one of the British army's so-called
"tin hats," replied:
"Oh, yes, there were checks and
blunders, all right; only they weren't
on our side of the fence. They were
all on the other side of the 'granite
wall'—Mister Hindenburg's side, you
know. I guess he will be issuing an
order to his armies, as he did
over the December show at Verdun,
demanding stricter training and regu-
lating faulty morale. All those guys
you know, and the thousands of un-
wounded prisoners and the German
barrage that didn't get going until on
fourth wave went over the parapet.
They'll have to camp up on the
bit more convincing to soothe the
Fatherland over this show, won't
they?"

CONCESSION OF BIG SHELL

KILLS GERMAN TANK DUGOUTS
One little German who had tried con-
fusions with a German grenade and had
left the ground with fourteen wounds,
but in remarkably high spirits, ex-
pressed the conviction that the German
grenade was not a "blooming" patch on
ours. He and a comrade told a story
of visiting a "grave of the dead," so
circumstantial in its details as to leave
no doubt of its truth. While exploring
a huge shell crater they discovered a
cavity leading out of one side of it,
and, entering the hole, found it led to
what could have been an exceptionally
large and good dugout, probably a bat-
talion headquarters.

By the light of their electric torches
they explored the dugout, and became
convinced that one of the British heavy
shells must have penetrated it, and ex-
ploded therein. The floor of the dugout,
they asserted, was positively
crowded with dead Germans, of whom
a large number were officers. None of
the bodies showed any signs
of a wound. The terrible concussion
of the great shell, exploding in that
confined space, apparently had killed
all of them. One German had a tele-
phone receiver in his hand.

A Canadian corporal, whose story
was confirmed by an officer who figured
prominently in the incident, described
how four men captured 100 Germans
in an attempt to advance the British
had passed beyond the front line, and
who was wounded, first dropped a bomb
into the dugout, and then, hearing no
response, he lay down a long
flight of steps leading to the cavern.
Hearing voices in the dark-
ness, they dropped a couple more bombs
while on the way down, and, on enter-
ing the cavern, lit a candle.
At that moment, rose from a group
of Germans huddled at the far end of
the dugout, standing with their hands
above their heads. The candle went
out, and the British officer shouted that
if any man moved he would "bomb
them all to glory." The candle was re-
lighted, and one man of the four Brit-
ishers was sent to the entrance to the
dugout, and ordered the Germans
to advance in groups of three and pile
up their arms, warning them that he
would hurl a bomb into the crowd if
any made a hostile move.

By three they were all marched up
into daylight, and dispatched to the
rear, the orderly at the entrance keep-
ing watch on them to see that they
moved in the right direction, and warn-
ing them that he would shoot them if
they undertook to escape. In the end
the whole lot of prisoners was safely
dispatched on the road to more certain
captivity.

DANISH STEAMER SUNK

The Louisiana Sent Down by Subma-
rine—Captain and Crew Picked
Up by British Patrol.

(By Associated Press.)
BOSTON, May 12.—Sinking of the
Danish steamer Louisiana by a Ger-
man submarine a few hours after she
left Newcastle, England for Boston on
April 17 was reported to local agents
in a cable message to-day from Liver-
pool. Captain Johnson and the crew
of thirty men were picked up by a
British patrol boat, the message said.
The Louisiana was a vessel of 3,016
tons.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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sound. 324 Hull Street.

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about 8 rooms with several acres of land.
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Times-Dispatch.

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and timber. \$4,000; easy terms. E 201, care
Times-Dispatch.

MARRIED couple desires room and board
in private family or small boarding-house,
within 6 blocks Third and Franklin Streets.
E 202, care Times-Dispatch.

FOR sale, cheap, cleaning and pressing
business. Must leave city at once; reason
ill health. Apply 107 East Main Street.
Phone Randolph 1665.

No Statement as to Pershing

War Department Objects to Spec-
ulation Concerning Move-
ments of High Officers.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 12.—A revival of
speculation as to the mission in Wash-
ington of Major-General John J. Pershing
was met at the War Department to-
day with the statement that nothing
could be given out in that connec-
tion at this time, and that Secretary
Baker regarded such speculation as
prejudicial to the public interest.

It was pointed out that Secretary
Baker has assured the press that an-
nouncements would be made promptly
on any decisions reached as soon as
they could be given out without
prejudice to the national interest. The
secretary has classed movements of
high officers as matters which should
not be speculated upon, as speculation
might tend to reveal prematurely the
military plans of the government.

TO TRAIN ARMY IN SOUTH

Twelve Camps for National Guardsmen
Will Be Established in
Southeast.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 12.—Major
E. C. Kilbourne, of the staff of Major-
General Leonard Wood, announced to-
night that the training camps for the
guardsmen from the North would be
established in the South within the
next few weeks to give the men the
benefit of year-round training, which
could not be secured in the North.
Twelve camps are to be established in
different points in the Southeast, di-
rectly under the supervision of General
Wood.

This is the first intimation of the
broad scope of the work under Gen-
eral Wood. It means that he will prac-
tically have charge of the training of
the large army for the United States.
These camps are to be separate from
those provided for the conscripted sol-
diers. They will be made up, princi-
pally of the National Guard from every
section of the country. The sites have
already been inspected and decided upon.
It was announced, and work will
begin erecting the barracks shortly
after the arrival of General Wood.

FRANK N. HOEN INJURED

Dangerously Burned When Acetylene-
Gas Tank in Cellar
Explodes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BALTIMORE, MD., May 12.—Frank
N. Hoen, president of the Merchants
and Manufacturers' Association, and a
member of the Maryland Preparedness
Commission, is at the Church Home and
Infirmary dangerously injured as the
result of burns he suffered when an acety-
lene-gas tank exploded at his home
near Lorley, Baltimore County, last
night. His condition is such as to
cause members of his family great con-
cern. Mr. and Mrs. Hoen, a daughter
and one woman guest were the
only persons in the house, besides the
servants. The lights grew dim, and
Mr. Hoen went to the cellar to in-
vestigate, accompanied by a colored
boy, and the colored cook. Suddenly
there was an explosion in the cellar,
a large part of the lower house was
blown out, and Mr. Hoen and his ser-
vants were badly burned.

NAVY ASKS MORE POWER

Wants Authority to Commandeer
Yachts and Other Small Craft
for Coast Defense Work.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—An urgent
plea for legislation to permit the navy
to commandeer yachts and other small
craft for coast defense work was
addressed to the House Naval Committee
to-day by Assistant Secretary Roose-
velt. He wrote that while many fine
yachts had been offered either free or
on nominal lease rates, other owners
are asking exorbitant prices, and 290
or more have refused to sell at rates
fixed by government appraisers.

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risk if you let anyone talk you into buying a cheap imitation.

FREE TRIAL!

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age free, with a special comb so
you can easily test it on one lock
of hair. Watch how it comes back
to original color in a few days and
then when you see this for your-
self, the clever imitator will fail to
palm off a substitute on you.

Then when this test has proven
that the rest of your hair can be

MANY WITNESSES ATTACK WAR-TIME TAX MEASURE

(Continued from First Page.)

Inequalities in the bill, and suggested
a tax of \$2 a head on all the business
men. Under the present provisions, he
said, 10,000,000 independent business-
men would contribute nothing towards
the enormous total to be raised.

Representative Dyer, Republican, of
Missouri, also attacked the measure,
saying that many of the things to be
taxed on the theory that they are
luxuries are in reality necessities.

Most of the Senate Committee wit-
nesses expressed a desire to "do their
bit" in paying war taxes, but declared
the House provisions distinctly unfair.
Those who protested included concern-
ing interest in the taxes proposed for
public utilities, coffee, tea, advertising,
insurance, automobiles, musical instru-
ments, the moving-picture industry,
jewelry and drugs. Because of the
great number who have asked to be
heard, the committee decided to con-
tinue its hearings one day longer than
intended and close them Wednesday
night.

TAXATION IS SUGGESTED OF PARCEL POST PACKAGES

Taxation of parcel post packages was
among the new revenue plans sug-
gested to the committee. One drug
a new tax to consumers of 1 cent upon
every 25-cent purchase was recom-
mended by druggists, who said the pro-
posed levy on the industry as now
drawn, could not be passed along.

Billboard posters and street car ad-
vertisers protested to the committee
against the exemption of newspaper
and magazine advertising from tax-
ation. Prominent automobile manu-
facturers declared the industry as a whole
could not stand up under a 5 per cent
gross profits tax. Few manufacturers,
the automobile men said, are making
reasonable profits.

Similar conditions in the musical in-
strument trade were alleged by man-
ufacturers and dealers, and the moving-
picture industry was represented as
barely holding its own financially.

Various attacks on the insurance
taxes were made by representatives of
life, fire, industrial and casualty in-
surance interests. The rate on indus-
trial policies was said to be "unfair
and discriminatory."

Of about \$25,000,000,000 of life in-
surance in effect, \$3,000,000,000 was
said to be upon men subject to army
conscription, with extra hazard to the
companies as a source of loss. The
tax of 8 cents per \$100 on new life
insurance was said to be very heavy.

ASKS ABOUT AERO ACCIDENTS

Representative La Guardia Inquires for
Details of Recent Disasters From
Secretary of War.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 12.—Representa-
tive La Guardia, of New York, a mem-
ber of the Aero Club of America, to-
day wrote to Secretary Baker asking
for details regarding the accidents at
the aviation fields at Newport News
and Mineola, N. Y. Two people were
killed in each of the accidents, which
occurred a few days apart. The letter
asks information as to the types,
ages and manufacturers of the ma-
chines and motors, their past use and
condition and cause of the accidents.

HARRISONBURG MEN CHOSEN FOR ROT MYER

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
HARRISONBURG, VA., May 12.—
Harrisonburg men who have been
ordered to report on Monday at Fort
Myer near Washington for training in
the Reserve Officers' Corps are former
State Senator John Paul; Rembrandt
P. Kezell, son of former Senator G.
B. Kezell; Arch Bell, State highway
engineer; and C. W. Linsweaver, man-
aging editor of the Daily News-Record.

Needlework as a Money-Maker.

Needlework as a means of utilizing
extra time for money-making was the
theme of a lecture by Mrs. Grobowski
Friday afternoon before a large audi-
ence at the Bureau of Vocations for
Women. Informal discussion followed
the talk. Miss Laura Judd Bryant, an
expert in domestic science, will speak
next Friday afternoon at the bureau
on "Money-Making Possibilities in
Connection With Good Housekeeping."

To Maintain Policy of Neutrality

Decision Reached at Conference
of Swedish, Danish and
Norwegian Ministers.

(By Associated Press.)
STOCKHOLM, May 12 (via Lon-
don).—An official announcement in re-
gard to the result of a three days' con-
ference by Swedish, Danish and Nor-
wegian ministers says that the con-
ferences determined unanimously that the
three countries should maintain a
policy of impartial neutrality. The
announcement says:

"As before, the ministers abandon
the idea of taking the initiative them-
selves or in concert with other neu-
trals with a view to mediation be-
tween the belligerents or other mea-
sures to the same end. The conference
opined that collaboration should be
established with other neutrals to
safeguard common interests to the end
of the war or after, including the in-
terests that neutrals will have in the
work which presumably will be under-
taken in establishing principles of in-
ternational peace for the future.

"The attention of the three govern-
ments was fixed on the fact that the
last question is included in the pro-
gram of the interparliamentary groups
of the three countries. The conference
thoroughly discussed the present diffi-
culties of importation into Scandinavia
by sea, and also traced the main out-
line of economic co-operation during
and after the war. Hope was ex-
pressed for the continued development
of the economic co-operation and ex-
change of goods already established by
the three countries.

"The opportunity was recognized for
a new conference by Scandinavian dele-
gates to study the question of the dan-
ger of floating mines and as to what
measures ought to be taken imme-
diately as well as after the war."

TAFT ENLISTS AS PRIVATE

Nineteen-Year-Old Son of Former
President Volunteers in Artillery
Branch of Army.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Charles P.
Taft, nineteen-year-old son of former
President Taft, has enlisted as a private
in the artillery branch of the
army. As he is under legal age, it was
necessary for him to obtain the con-
sent of his parents.

MRS. SHEPARD HITS TRAIL

Former Miss Helen Gould Hints Her
Adopted Children to Shake Hands
With "Billy" Sunday.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Mrs. Finley
J. Shepard, formerly Miss Helen Mil-
ler Gould, to-day hit the trail at the
"Billy" Sunday tabernacle, and guided
her two adopted sons and two adopted
daughters along its path. The sons
are Louis and Finley J., Jr., the daugh-
ters, Olivia and Helen Anna.

ASSIGNED TO NORFOLK

Agriculture Department Sends Re-
presentative to Distribute Market
News on Strawberries.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 12.—The De-
partment of Agriculture announced to-
day that it had assigned Ralph H.
Shoemaker as its representative at
Norfolk to distribute market news on
strawberries to local growers, ship-
pers and buyers during the strawberry
shipping season just opening.

FIRE ON DESTROYER

Firemen Called In After Marines and
Bluejackets Try Vainly to
Extinguish Flames.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, May 12.—Fire aboard
the United States torpedo-boat de-
stroyer Roe, in dry dock at the New
York Navy-Yard, was fought for an
hour to-night and conquered by four
companies of Brooklyn firemen, after
marines and bluejackets had tried
vainly to extinguish the flames. No

information was obtainable as to the
extent of the damage or how the fire
started.

DEATHS

McCREADY, Died, Saturday, at the re-
sidence of her home, Mrs. C. E. Holcomb,
131 West Cary Street, MARGUERITE J. Mc-
CREADY.
Funeral from Sacred Heart Cathedral
MONDAY MORNING at 10 o'clock. Inter-
ment in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Friends and
acquaintances invited to attend.

IN MEMORIAM

SALE.—In sad, but loving remembrance of
my husband and our father, JOHN M.
SALE, who departed this life 2 years
ago, May 12, 1915.

Two long years. Oh, how we miss him!
Miss his fond and gentle care;
Our home is dark without him.
We miss him everywhere.

Then from our hearts comes a bitter cry,
Why? Oh, why, did our loved one die?
Then comes an answer so solemn and sweet,
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dents since January 1st.

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need of stenographers and typists. Civil Service
examinations are being held with great fre-
quency. In a recent circular, the Government
said in part: "It is the manifest duty of citi-
zens with this special knowledge to use it at this
time where it will be the most value to the Gov-
ernment."

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